

The Public Forum regarding the Parks and Recreation Master Plan was called to order at 7:01 pm on Monday November 12th 2007 at Redford Township Board Room.

Roll call: Present: Steve Offman - Chair, Diana Brang-Schroeder - Secretary, Laura Weaver - Treasurer, Commissioners Maureen Okasinski and John Keenan

Absent: Commissioners: Dodd and Comerford. Youth Commissioner Vulaj

Also in attendance: Leah Groya from Wade Trim, Betsy and Pat McRae, Ms. Kemp Theresa Burgess, Tom O'Conner, Mike Curle and one other individual who was not identified.

The presentation began with Mike Curle stating that the Parks Commission, Wade Trim and the Parks and Recreation Department, have been working on the draft for over 9 months, he also stated that this is the second master plan he has personally worked on. How very important it is to our Parks and Recreation Department as we need to complete a new Master Plan every five years In order to be eligible to receive many different types of grant funding, especially State of Michigan funds. These additional funds support the Township Budget and help us secure additional funds to improve our parks.

Leah Goya then passed out copies of the Action Plan portion of the master plan and gave a brief description of what the plan entails and how we developed it. She then focused on the Action portion of the plan, she highlighted a few of the goals in the short term, mid-term and long term and ongoing improvements in a brief power point presentation.

The forum is opened up for discussion Ms. Kemp, who lives near Kraft Park, asks the Commission about adding new play equipment to the park because of the new homes in the neighborhood there are lots more young children that are using that park. She would like to see more picnic tables and benches added as well as the tennis courts being resurfaced. The Parks Commission thanked Ms. Kemp and explained how important it was for her to come to this public forum and to add her input into this Master Plan. They would take her input and include it in the Master Plan.

Motion was made to close public forum by Ms. Maureen Okasinski, 2nd by Ms. Diana Brang-Schroeder. Motion passed.

Submitted by Diana Brang-Schroeder – Secretary – Parks Commission

Recorded by Mike Curle – Parks and Recreation Director